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Re: U.S. Utility Patent Application
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For: **Novel Method for Down-Regulation of Amyloid**
Inventors: Rasmussen *et al.*
Our Ref: 2473.0550007/EKS/FRC

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for appropriate action are the following documents:

1. Petition for Extension of Time Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a);
2. Reply to Restriction Requirement;
3. Credit Card Payment Form (PTO-2038) in the amount of \$2,160.00 to cover the extension of time fee; and
4. Return postcard.

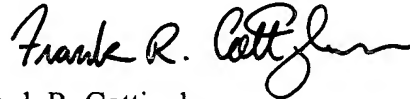
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